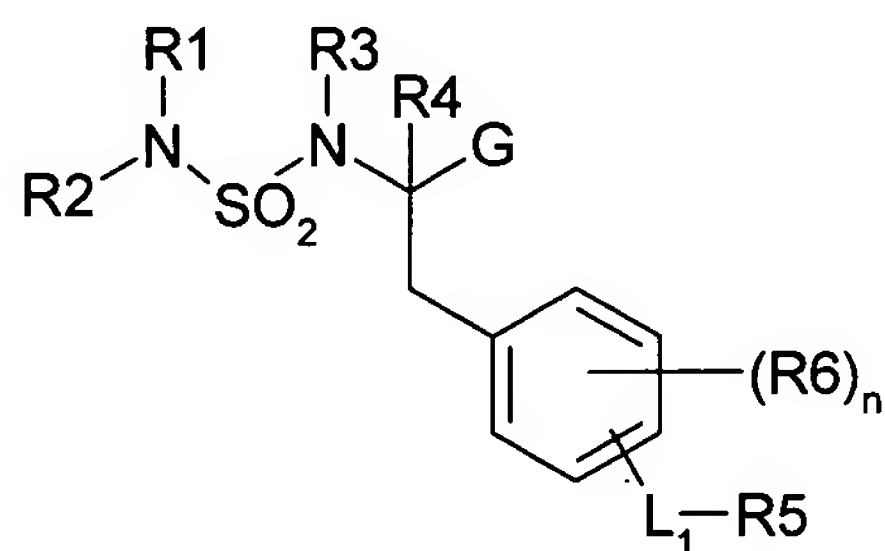


AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION: ABSTRACT

Please add the following Abstract to the application.

ABSTRACT

Compounds of the following formula



and salts thereof are described as integrin $\alpha 4$ -antagonists, wherein the various symbols are as defined in the specification.